

Sofia, the Bulgarian Capital.
No city in the east has undergone such a magic transformation as Sofia. Prior to the emancipation of the Bulgars it was a small Turkish town of 20,000, with narrow, dirty streets. There was practically no trade, and the people were in a hideous state of poverty. The city which has now risen up has a population of about 125,000 and is rapidly becoming one of the best in eastern Europe. Architecturally it has far more claim to respect than is at first apparent. The streets, which are well paved and beautifully clean, are too narrow for the adequate display of the fine proportions of the czar's palace, the National theater, the general postoffice, the war office, the Bulgarian National bank, the William Gladstone High School For Boys, the Grand Hotel de Bulgaria, the National Agricultural bank, the Sobranje and many other public buildings which are of fine sandstone. The ecclesiastical edifices are of remarkable beauty, especially the new cathedral.—Review of Reviews.

Soy Beans a Human Food.
Soy bean flour may be used much the same way as cornmeal. Although this crop has been grown in America for a quarter of a century, says the Farm and Home, it has been used only for a stock feed, while in China and Japan it has been used for human food for many centuries. Practically the only use made of soy bean flour so far in this country is in certain types of illness where it is desirable to limit the amount of starch fed the patient. Flour made from ripe soy beans, although rich in protein and oil, contains little or no starch. This, mixed with wheat flour, therefore increases the protein content and lowers the starch content, while the bread is very similar in appearance to ordinary wheat bread. When more than 25 per cent soy bean flour is used the character of the bread or cakes is materially altered.

Wanted the Test.
A western professor said one day that he could tell good soil by tasting it, and a man in the east end who saw the statement promptly packed a box and sent it to him by parcel post. He also inclosed this note:
"Dear Professor—I saw what you said about tasting soil and am sending a sample selected haphazard from my back yard. I wish you'd give it the palate test and tell me frankly what you think. I don't seem to have any luck with it myself. My cabbages came up without heads, my potatoes have been mistaken for chestnuts, my onions are scentless, and my corn looks like bird shot. Bite of a chunk and let me hear from you. Never mind about returning the balance. Keep it for dessert. Write soon."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Mystery of the Egg.
An egg for one thing is a succession of bags, but for another, a series of envelopes enveloped in one another, shells or openings. Puzzles, ships built up and full rigged in bottles, flies in amber, are simplicity itself as puzzles when it comes to how these bags wrap one another up, bag in bag. In a hen's egg there are eight or nine or ten of the sacks in sacks ensacked. Everybody thinks he knows what an egg is, but after weary reading and study in many languages he begins to learn that nobody knows a tiny fraction of all the world of secrets and mysteries hidden in an egg. "As full of meat as an egg" is not the true comparison, but "as full of mystery as an egg" is nearer the truth.—Exchange.

Burns and Fame.
It is amusing to learn that Burns when just emerging from obscurity jocularly anticipated that his birthday would come to be noted among other remarkable events. In a letter to his early patron, Gavin Hamilton, in 1786 he says, "For my own affairs I am in a fair way of becoming as eminent as Thomas a Kempis or John Bunyan, and you may henceforth expect to see my birthday inscribed among the wonderful events in the Poor Robin and Aberdeen almanacs along with the Black Monday and the battle of Bothwell Bridge."

Wild Hogs as Watchdogs.
In some parts of Mexico the wild hogs, which the natives call Jabalis, are used as watchdogs. If they are caught young and brought up with goats they will go out into the hills with the herd and fight coyotes or other wild animals. If they are raised with chickens they will protect them. They are as useful as any dog around a house at night and can be trained to follow their master like a dog.

England's "Regicides,"
"Regicides" in English history were the commissioners appointed to try King Charles I. 150 in number, of whom seventy acted and fifty-nine signed the death warrant January, 1649. Of these last twenty-nine were tried and executed.

At Her Finger Tips.
"Maude boasted to me yesterday that she had her employer's business at her finger tips."
"Of course she has. She's his typewriter."—Baltimore American.

Closed Sleeping Rooms.
Grace Darling died of consumption, though during the day she breathed splendid sea air, because at night she slept in a tiny room with a closed window.

The wise are polite all the world over; fools are polite only at home.—Bacon.

BRIEF WAR NEWS

Fighting between Italian and Austrian troops in Albania has been renewed.
Petograd reports a continuation of the progress of the Russians against the Turks along the Black Sea coast toward Trebizond.
The Portuguese cabinet has resigned to give way to a national defense cabinet. It was made known by the foreign minister of the retiring cabinet that Portugal's seizure of German merchantmen, which led to Germany's declaration, was made at the request of Great Britain.

The entire region about Verdun continues the scene of intense operations. West of Douaumont and the sector embracing the village of Vaux have been points against which the Germans have launched vicious infantry attacks, but at both places their efforts to advance broke down under the heavy fire of the French according to Paris.

Saxon regiments, by a sudden thrust in the Champagne at a point where there have been few breaks in the routine of trench warfare for several months, have captured positions over a considerable section of the French front. The German war office announces that the ground gained is about two-thirds of a mile deep along 1400 yards of front and that several guns and more than 700 prisoners were taken.

SHORT NEWS NUGGETS

Henry Gasaway Davis, democratic nominee for vice president in 1904, is dead.

The quantity of wheat held in interior mills and elevators in the United States on March 1 was nearly twice that held a year ago, according to a report by the bureau of crop estimates.

Announcement of a discovery by W. F. Carothers by which accurate weather forecasts can be made two or three weeks in advance was made by Willis L. Moore, former chief of the United States weather bureau.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, Assistant Secretary Peters and members of the United States section of the international high commission on trade relations between the Americas, sailed for Buenos Aires to attend the trade commission convention to open April 2.

Seventeen Americans are dead, as the result of the attempted wholesale massacre by Francisco Villa, the Mexican bandit leader, who attacked Columbus, N. M.

Bryan and Taft in interviews both approve Wilson's order to the army to go into Mexico and take Villa.

A total of 57 dead Mexicans has been found in and about Columbus, General Funston reported.

General Funston confirmed officially the killing of Pablo Lopez, Villa's chief lieutenant, during the raid on Columbus.

1500 FLED BEFORE 59

At Least 75 Villa Bandits Killed, and Stolen Horses Recovered.

Columbus, N. M.—Colonel H. J. Slocum's general report of Villa's attempted invasion showed as its outstanding feature the fact that Villa, with from 1500 to 2500 men, was chased from the border 15 miles into Mexico by 59 officers and men of the troops F and H, under Major Frank Tompkins.

This force fought four actions with Villa's rear guard of at least 900 men, killed at least 75 Mexicans, recovered several horses stolen from the cavalry by the bandits, and emerged with the loss of only two mounts killed, with no casualties.

Americans on Torpedoed Ship.

Washington.—Consul Osborne at Havre reported that when the Norwegian bark Billus, from New York to Havre, was torpedoed without warning in Havre Roads on the night of March 9, seven Americans aboard were rescued.

Potato Flour Factory in California.

Stockton, Cal.—With a capacity for grinding 25 tons of potatoes a day, a plant for the manufacture of potato flour was placed in operation at Middle river by the Air Utilities company of New York.

Brazil Fires On German Ship.

Para, Brazil.—The interned German steamer Assuncion made a vain effort to escape, but was shelled, overhauled and brought back by Brazilian cruisers. The captain denied attempting to escape.

Belgium Denies Peace Terms Offered.

London.—The Belgian legation announced that the rumors which have been circulated that peace proposals recently were made by Germany to the Belgian government are devoid of foundation.

Astoria Suffers \$30,000 Fire Loss.

Astoria, Or.—Fire which started in the Andrew Young building, 14th and Commercial streets, did damage to buildings and stocks of merchandise amounting to fully \$30,000.

Saluting the Anthem.

When began the custom for individuals and audiences to be standing when the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung or played?

It is a fair question. It was adopted by the army and navy long ago, but the army and navy did not originate the very appropriate and patriotic custom. Many years ago when Jenny Lind, one of the sweetest singers the world ever produced, was the chief attraction at a Boston concert Daniel Webster, the great senator, secretary of state and patriot, was present.

Jenny Lind sang the "Star Spangled Banner" as only that song bird could sing it. The audience called her back several times, and she sang a verse of our present national anthem. Each time one man stood up and at the close gracefully bowed to the singer. That was Daniel Webster. It was a good example to set, a needed custom to establish, and one that has been an important factor in impressing patriotic lessons.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

A Norfolk Coast Garden.

Unique among English parishes is Wingland, on the Norfolk coast. Rich with soil producing almost unbelievable amounts to the acre, it has no school, postoffice, public house or tax collector. Wingland has a churchyard, and in it lies one grave, that of a boy thrown up by the Wash. Along the north coast of the county, where the cliffs are chalk, sand, clay and loam, the incessant sea is making inroads. Once happy and fruitful villages now lie seven fathoms deep below the waters. The land is practically all reclaimed and is only a few feet above the sea, but is one great garden. An acre has produced more than \$1,000 worth of flowers, fruit and vegetables in a year. Here bulbs of hyacinth and narcissus as good as if not better than those that come from Holland can be bought. Here they grow millions of flowers that grace the tables of Lancashire and Yorkshire.—Argonaut.

In a Queer Town.

Margaret Illington was making a coast to coast tour as the star in a new play. She had reached the land of the one night stands, and to break a long jump she was to play in a new community that expects to have 50,000 inhabitants some day.

As the actress, in the early morning, dismounted from the through train, with her maid and her manager and the supporting company, an aged darky laid hold of her hand baggage and led the way, bowing and scraping, to where the hotel bus waited. Following him, Miss Illington emerged from the station shed on an expanse of one story stores flanking each side of a dusty road.

"Uncle," she asked, "is this the principal street?"

"Dis yere one? No'm," he said. "Dis yere town ain't got no principal street."—Saturday Evening Post.

The Beaver's Tooth.

No carpenter's chisel can do more effective work than is turned out with ease and neatness by the beaver's tooth. This is the principal tool with which these patient, clever builders construct their dams. The outer surface of the tooth is a scale of very hard enamel, while the body of it is of softer dentine. As the softer substance wears away in use the end of the tooth takes a chisel-like edge, leaving a thin, slightly projecting bevel of hard enamel as sharp as any carpenter's tool fresh from the oilstone. The thin scale of enamel gives keenness, the softer dentine supplies strength, and thus the combination forms a formidable tool, which actually sharpens itself by use.

Seasoning Cast Iron.

In the manufacture of the higher types of machinery care is taken to lessen the cooling stress of iron castings by annealing or some other means in order to make the iron homogeneous and less liable to breakage or distortion. This process is known as "seasoning." It has been found in the case of ordinary test bars one inch square in section that there was a gain in strength of about 20 per cent due to the shocks sustained during an hour in a tumbling barrel as compared with companion bars from the same ladle not so treated.

Perils of Tropical Waters.

Raising a vessel submerged in tropical waters is dangerous business, according to an account in Shipping Illustrated of the salvage of a gunboat that had been sunk in the harbor of Progreso, Yucatan. The sailors were in constant danger owing to the attacks of "voracious fishes, some of which are more ferocious than sharks and far more determined in their methods of attacking human prey."

Valley of the Jordan.

The valley of the Jordan constitutes the deepest depression on the face of the earth, the sea of Galilee itself being over 700 feet below the level of the Mediterranean, while the Dead sea is over 1,300 feet below the level of all the oceans of the world.

The Distinction.

"Pa," asked Willie, "what's the difference between an invalid and a sick person?"

"An invalid, my son," answered pa, "has money."—Judge.

Geranium Oil.

Geranium oil is largely used in perfumery and is known as rose geranium owing to the common practice of adding rose petals to the plants before distillation.

If you will not hear Reason she will surely rap your knuckles.—Franklin.

SANITARY ICE CREAM

B. K. Newman will be ready on April 15 to deliver any quantity of pure ice cream to any part of the city. His ice cream is made with a "Disc Sanitary Freezer" and is guaranteed the best quality on the market. Phone 203-N 1. 15tf

What, think you, do other people say of this town? It's up to us. China, it seems, is becoming civilized. War is picking up.

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AT SEGUINE'S GARAGE.

MONEY TO LOAN ON IMPROVED RANCHES. W. J. PINNEY, ONTARIO, OREGON. 16tf

(Paid Advertisements.)

FOR JOINT REPRESENTATIVE

Burns, Oregon, April 2, 1916. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Joint Representative for the twenty-seventh Representative District comprising Harney and Malheur Counties, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election to be held May 19th, 1916. Jas. J. Donegan.

FOR SHERIFF

I wish to announce myself as a candidate for the nomination as sheriff subject to the will of the republican voters of Malheur county. Emory Cole, Brogan, Ore.

FOR SHERIFF

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for sheriff of Malheur County, subject to the will of the republican voters at the coming primaries. J. S. WOODS.

FOR JOINT-SENATOR

We are authorized to announce that A. W. Gowan is a candidate for the office of joint-senator for the Twenty-second Senatorial District, comprising the counties of Grant, Harney and Malheur, subject to the decision of the republican voters at the primary election, May 19, 1916.

FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR

I wish to announce myself as a candidate for the democratic nomination for county surveyor at the coming primary election. B. F. Farmer, present incumbent.

CIRCUIT JUDGE

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Circuit Judge subject to the action of the democratic voters at the primary election to be held May 19, 1916. DALTON BIGGS.

For County Commissioner

I wish to announce that I will be a candidate for the nomination as County Commissioner, subject to the will of the republican voters. John F. Weaver.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the office of District Attorney of Malheur County. R. W. SWAGLER.

FOR ASSESSOR

I wish to announce that I will be a candidate for the nomination of assessor on the republican ticket, subject to the will of the voters. S. L. PAYNE.

FOR SHERIFF.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff of Malheur County, subject to the choice of the Democratic electors in the coming primary election. If again nominated and elected I will continue, as heretofore, to enforce the laws to the best of my ability and give the tax payers a business administration of the affairs of the office. BEN J. BROWN, (present incumbent for re-election)

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PAID POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination as county assessor subject to the votes of the democrats of the county. R. M. CARLILE.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for the office of Treasurer of Malheur County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the coming primaries. ROSS A. SOWARD.

FOR ASSESSOR.

I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for Assessor of Malheur County, subject to the will of the democratic voters at the primary election. If nominated and elected I pledge my very best efforts towards securing an equitable assessment. B. W. MULKEY.

FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR.

To the voters of Malheur, County, I wish to announce myself as a candidate for the nomination as assessor on the democratic ticket. I have been a resident of the county over 39 years and thoroughly understand the duties of the position. J. M. DUNCAN.

FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR.

To the voters of Malheur County I desire to announce my candidacy for the office of assessor, subject to the decision of the democratic electors at the coming primary. If nominated and elected, I pledge economy in office and property earning power the base for finding values except as otherwise provided by law. GUY JOHNSTON.

FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR.

To the voters of Malheur, County, I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of county assessor, subject to the will of the republican voters of the county at the primary election. F. B. ZUTZ.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

To the voters of Malheur County, I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination of County Treasurer subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primary election. H. H. WILLIAMS.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for the office of joint representative for Malheur and Harney Counties, subject to the will of the republican electors at the coming primaries. P. J. PHILLIPS.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for the office of County Treasurer of Malheur County, Oregon, subject to the will of the Republican electors at the coming primaries. C. C. Mueller.

To the Citizens of Malheur county:

I desire to announce that I will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for District Attorney at the coming primary election and solicit your support. This office spends thousands of dol-

lars of your money and I pledge myself to every economy consistent with good government. If elected I will devote my entire time and energy to the affairs of the office. Impartial enforcement of all laws, economy and suppression of useless litigation,—my platform. ROBERT M. DUNCAN.

NOTICE.

I hereby announce myself as candidate for nomination to the office of Assessor on the Republican ticket, subject to the choice of the voters at the primaries. 13tf A. A. ROBERTS.

TO THE VOTERS OF MALHEUR COUNTY.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the Republican nomination for the office of District Attorney of this county. If nominated and elected I will endeavor to fulfill the duties of my office in a fair, fearless and efficient manner and to the best of my ability, keeping in mind at all times my duty to the tax payers. P. J. GALLAGHER.

FOR COUNTY CLERK

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for County Clerk of Malheur County, Oregon, subject to the will of the Republican electors at the coming primaries. V. B. Staples.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for County School Superintendent of Malheur County in the coming Primary Election. If nominated I will, to the best of my ability, continue to work to further the educational interests of the county. Fay Clark.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE

Subject to the choice of the Republican voters of Malheur and Harney counties, Oregon, to be expressed at the coming primary election, I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Republican nomination as Joint Representative to the legislature from this representative district. Dated Jan. 21, 1916. Chas. M. Crandall.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for County Clerk of Malheur County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters at the primaries. Arthur Moody.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the voters of Malheur County: I hereby announce my candidacy for reelection to the office of County Assessor subject to the will of the Republican voters at the primary election on the 19th day of May, 1916. And if nominated and elected I shall continue to assess all corporations on an equal and uniform basis with other property. L. E. Hill, present incumbent.

FOR STATE SENATOR.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of State Senator from this district, composed of Malheur, Harney and Grant counties, subject to the will of the electors of the Republican party at the primaries to be held in May, 1916. Julian A. Hurley.